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LR 70, 218

please retain silence until the end of this roll call vote. Proceed from where you were, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Continued reading the roll call vote as found on page 2538 of the Legislative Journal.) 20 ayes, 19 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. The Call of the House is raised. We proceed with LR 218. Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: (Microphone not activated)...ruled that the motion failed, is that correct?

PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR NEWELL: I would like to challenge the Chair. It only takes a majority vote and...I was only kidding. I was only joking. It's the last day.

PRESIDENT: Yes, it is May 25 and not April 1.

SENATOR NEWELL: It's not a bad precedent to set though.

PRESIDENT: Well, I cry a lot. By the Speaker's order we are to consider LR 218.

CLERK: Mr. President, 218 is on page 2508 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I want to be as brief as possible on this proposition and to facilitate consideration I sent you around a paper detailing what this resolution does. Yesterday while discussing LB 211 during my attempt to revive it, I had mentioned some of the problems that exist in big time college football. For various reasons which I understand, the members would not vote to revive that bill. However, there was general agreement that problems do exist in football programs and that one of the serious ones relates to the type of insurance or assistance that a player may receive if injured or even killed while participating. The second area, and it is equally important, is the academic program which an athlete might be directed into. So what I have done in drafting this resolution is to give Whereases to demonstrate why the request and the resolve will be made. The first two Whereases establish that the football program does generate money, but not only money, it enhances the image of the University. The second two Whereases mention that there